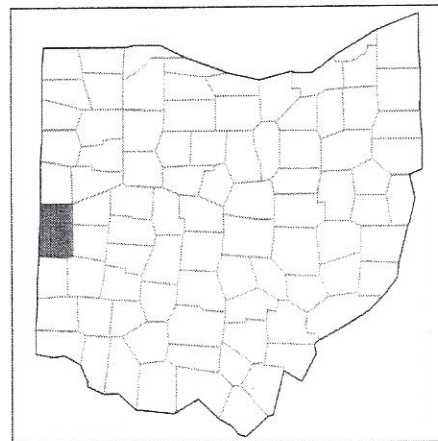


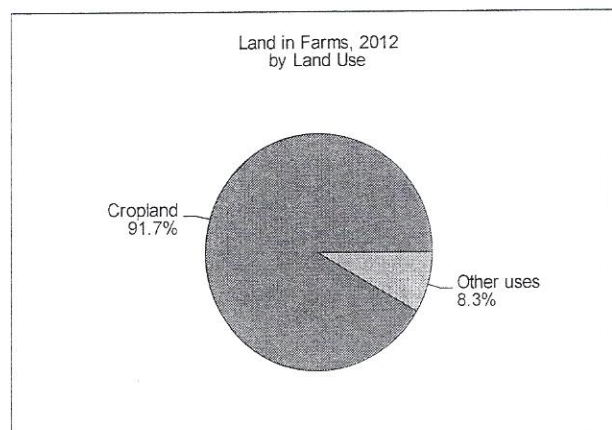
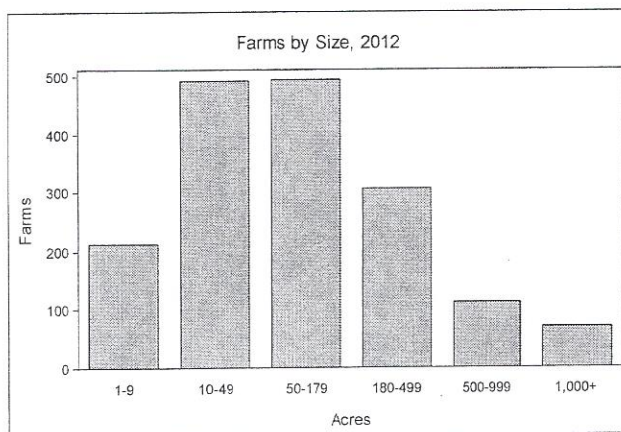
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Darke County Ohio

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	1,693	1,772	- 4
Land in Farms	339,981 acres	350,450 acres	- 3
Average Size of Farm	201 acres	198 acres	+ 2
Market Value of Products Sold	\$559,494,000	\$479,752,000	+ 17
Crop Sales \$180,379,000 (32 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$379,116,000 (68 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$330,475	\$270,741	+ 22
Government Payments	\$6,902,000	\$7,497,000	- 8
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$5,869	\$5,830	+ 1



2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE

Darke County – Ohio

Ranked items among the 88 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	559,494	2	88	85	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	180,379	3	88	275	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	379,116	2	88	66	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	175,870	2	88	189	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	15	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	25	88	834	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	87	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,227	38	88	981	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	78	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	2,050	30	88	1,329	3,049
Poultry and eggs	220,906	2	88	30	3,013
Cattle and calves	32,421	5	88	483	3,056
Milk from cows	29,509	7	85	251	2,038
Hogs and pigs	95,898	2	87	49	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	220	28	88	739	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	71	71	88	2,080	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	51	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	90	44	88	1,151	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans for beans	141,732	2	87	76	2,162
Corn for grain	130,489	1	87	188	2,638
Wheat for grain, all	11,994	14	87	625	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	11,994	14	87	532	2,480
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	9,893	40	88	1,632	3,057
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Layers	8,800,904	1	88	2	3,040
Pullets for laying flock replacement	3,220,196	1	87	1	2,637
Turkeys	364,021	2	83	72	2,416
Hogs and pigs	237,185	2	88	68	2,889
Cattle and calves	42,000	4	88	642	3,063

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	295	Farming	697
\$1,000 to \$2,499	82	Other	996
\$2,500 to \$4,999	100	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	113	Male	1,597
\$10,000 to \$19,999	114	Female	96
\$20,000 to \$24,999	51	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.1
\$25,000 to \$39,999	124	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	64	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	193	Asian	4
\$100,000 to \$249,999	216	Black or African American	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	113	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	228	White	2,451
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	431,186	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	254,687	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	8
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	154,148		
Average per farm (\$)	91,050		

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

- Represents zero. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

¹ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item. ² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.